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Luke 5:12-16

Once, when he was in one of the cities, there was a man covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he bowed with his face to the ground and begged him,

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‘Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean.’ Then Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said, ‘I do choose. Be made clean.’

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Immediately the leprosy left him. And he ordered him to tell no one. 'Go', he said, 'and show yourself to the priest, and, as Moses commanded,

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make an offering for your cleansing,
for a testimony to them.' But now
more than ever the word about Jesus
spread abroad;

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many crowds would gather to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray.

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